

DECK PERMIT GUIDE



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The Department of Permits and
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Talbot County, Maryland

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- A building permit is required prior to construction of a deck in Talbot County. A building permit application may be obtained from the Talbot County Department of Permits and Inspections located at 28712 Glebe Road, Suite 1, Easton, Maryland. Office hours are between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. A fee for a building permit is based upon the value of the deck construction project. Each applicant is required to fill out the **entire** building permit application and sign and date the bottom.
- To apply for a building permit for a deck, an applicant must provide four (4) copies of a plot plan (a drawing of the property also referred to as a site plan) drawn to a standard scale (ex: 1"=10', 20', 30', 40', 50', 100'). The plot plan shall show the proposed location of the deck, in relation to the property lines and existing structures on the property, and the location of the well, septic system and sewage disposal area. The plot plan may be prepared by the applicant or by a competent professional familiar with the application requirements provided the drawing(s) is accurate, legible and to scale.
- Three (3) copies of the construction details which includes framing, foundation/footing, and railing, and stair details if applicable. **(If the deck is only one (1) story you can utilize our Typical Deck Detail Package which can be obtained at our office in lieu of submitting drawings).** If you have any building code questions please call the Department of Permits and Inspections plan review at 410-770-6840.
- For property served by well and septic systems, the County Environmental Health Department will review the project for compliance with appropriate setback requirements.
- An inspection is required after footing. A final inspection is required after the deck construction is completed. To request inspections, please contact the Department of Permits and Inspections at 410-770-6840.
- Construction must begin within nine months and be completed within eighteen months.

This brochure may not address all situations but is intended to provide general information for the permitting process.

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